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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This paper is submitted in view of the Advisory Action dated April 25, 2006. Please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks. This Response is accompanied by a petition for a one month extension and the appropriate fee.

A Listing of the Claims begins at page 2 of this paper.

Remarks in support begin at page 5 of this paper.